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## **Online Tool Helps Residents Eliminate Energy Waste and Support the Community**

### ***Dublin Energy Challenge Raises Money for Friends of the Dublin Library***

**DUBLIN, Calif., October 14, 2013** — The City of Dublin and [Energy Upgrade California in Alameda County](#) have launched the [Dublin Energy Challenge](#), a city-wide initiative encouraging residents to monitor and evaluate energy usage while giving back to the local community.

From October 23, 2013, through January 31, 2014, Dublin residents who want to eliminate energy waste in their homes can sign up for the free Home Energy Analyzer, and help the Dublin community raise up to \$1,000 for Friends of the Dublin Library. Residents are also eligible to receive a \$25 gift card to local hardware stores through random monthly drawings once they sign up for the Home Energy Analyzer.

“We are excited to provide residents the opportunity to reduce energy waste, while also supporting the Dublin community,” said Mayor Tim Sbranti. “It’s a win-win situation for homeowners to be able to take advantage of free energy-saving resources, and raise money for Friends of the Dublin Library at the same time.”

The Home Energy Analyzer uses PG&E smart meter data to evaluate energy usage. By pinpointing where energy is being used, residents can determine the right energy-saving actions and improvements to suit their needs. The Home Energy Analyzer provides customized energy-saving recommendations, including conservation behaviors and do-it-yourself improvements to help residents increase energy efficiency. Homeowners looking to complete more comprehensive energy-efficient home improvements may be eligible for rebates of up to \$4,500 through [Energy Upgrade California Home Upgrade](#).

“For homeowners who wonder why their energy bills are so high, or which appliances in their homes are the biggest energy wasters, the Home Energy Analyzer is a simple way to track energy usage and find potential ‘energy leaks,’” said Judi Ettlinger, Senior Program Manager at StopWaste, the local government agency leading Energy Upgrade California in Alameda County. “Signing up for the Home Energy Analyzer is an easy first step homeowners can take on their path to saving energy and money while making their home more comfortable.”

Dublin residents can learn more about the Dublin Energy Challenge at the Home Energy Efficiency workshop on Wednesday, October 23, 2013, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., at the Dublin Library, located at 200 Civic Center Plaza in Dublin. The workshop will feature a giveaway of energy-efficient products, and homeowners can bring their PG&E bill to sign up for the Home Energy Analyzer on-site. To RSVP for the Home Energy Efficiency workshop, visit [DublinEnergyWorkshop.eventbrite.com](http://DublinEnergyWorkshop.eventbrite.com) or call 510-891-6554.

To learn more about the Dublin Energy Challenge, visit [Dublin.ca.gov/EnergyChallenge](http://Dublin.ca.gov/EnergyChallenge). To sign up for the Home Energy Analyzer, visit [HomeEnergyAnalyzer.org](http://HomeEnergyAnalyzer.org).

### **About Energy Upgrade California**

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